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News Release

ARMY STUDENTS EARN MEDICAL DEGREES, PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN

BETHESDA, Md. – Sixty-four U.S. Army officers were among 163 students who graduated May 18 from the Uniformed Services University's F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine, the nation's only federal military medical school.

More than 3,000 graduates, faculty, staff, family and friends gathered in the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C., at 11 a.m. for the two-and-a-half-hour ceremony.

The Honorable Everett Alvarez, Jr., chair of USU Board of Regents; and retired Air Force Col. Val G. Hemming, dean of the School of Medicine; conferred the medical degrees. Hemming also administered the Hippocratic Oath to the graduates.

Lt. Gen. James B. Peake, Surgeon General of the Army, reaffirmed the Oath of Office to the Army students, who were promoted to captain upon graduation and commissioned as medical corps officers.

The year-round, four-year school of medicine's curriculum is nearly 700 hours – or about 20 weeks – longer than those found at other U.S. medical schools. The extra hours focus on epidemiology, health promotion, disease prevention, tropical medicine, leadership and field

exercises, medical effects of weapons of mass destruction, and other subjects that relate to the unique requirements of career-oriented military physicians.

USU was established by Congress under the Department of Defense in 1972 and has the nation's only fully accredited federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. With its motto "Learning to Care for Those in Harm's Way," the university has a worldwide reputation as a center of excellence for military medical education and research.

Award winners for the Class of 2002 are:

U.S. Army Surgeon General's Award – Capt. Ramey Wilson

Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award –

Capt. Joshua Hartzell

Government Services Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians, Emergency

Medicine Award – Capt. Andrew Morgan

Lt. Col. Daniel Kayanan AMSUS Military Medicine Award – Capt. Chad Hendrickson

Outstanding Student in Pediatrics Award – Capt. Roselynn Sim

The American Academy of Pediatrics, Uniformed Services Chapter East, Outstanding

Achievement in Pediatrics Award – Capt. Wendy Harsha

Capt. Richard Hooper Memorial Award – Capt. Remington Nevin

Marcia Salzer Award for Humanism in Medicine -- Capt. Ramey Wilson

Army Chapter of the American College of Physicians Outstanding Achievement Award --

Capt. Joshua Hartzell

Emma L. Bockman Memorial Award -- Capt. Anjali Sridhar

Glasgow Memorial Achievement Citation -- Captains Wendy Harsha, Sara Thomson and

Katrina Walters

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges -- Captains Aniceto

Navarro, Roselynn Sim, Sara Thomson and Ramey Wilson

Admissions Committee Certificates of Appreciation – Captains Joshua Hartzell, Steven Khoo and David Schwartz

Association of the U.S. Army Award – Capt. Roy Thomas

Below are the Doctor of Medicine graduates for the Class of 2002, who will perform their internship at the locations listed:

Capt. Christine B. Ajjan, San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium, Texas

Capt. Mike L. Anderson, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

* Capt. Jared M. Andrews, Madigan AMC, Wash.

Capt. Nici E. Bothwell, Madigan AMC, Wash.

Capt. Rebecca A. Boucher, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.

Capt. Brandon D. Brown, SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. Christian LaCelle Carlson, SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. Jacob F. Collen, SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. John M. Csokmay, III, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

Capt. Patrick D. Dean, Martin ACH, Ga.

Capt. Justin P. Dodge, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

Capt. Jeremy M. Eager, William Beaumont AMC, Texas

Capt. Tracy L. Eichel, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.

Capt. David Escobedo, Martin ACH, Ga.

Capt. Paul M. Faestel, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

Capt. Dean R. Fellabaum, Madigan AMC, Wash.

Capt. Elizabeth Y. Flanagan, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.

Capt. Matthew R. Grafenberg, Madigan AMC, Wash.

Capt. Harkirtin Gydee, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

Capt. Wendy T. F. Harsha, Madigan AMC, Wash.

* Capt. Joshua D. Hartzell, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C.

Capt. Susan C. Hawley, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.

Capt. Chad S. Hendrickson, SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. Michael C. Hjelkrem, SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. John R. Huges, Darnall ACH, Texas

Capt. Adam L. Huillet, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

* Capt. Robert L. Hutton, Sr., SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. Christopher S. Johnson, Madigan AMC, Wash.

Capt. Edward A. Kalpas, Tripler AMC, Hawaii

Capt. David S. Kauvar, SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. Sameer D. Khatri, Darnall ACH, Texas

Capt. Steven W. Khoo, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.

* Capt. Jeffrey S. Kunz, Madigan AMC, Washington

* Capt. Benjamin W. Lacy, V, SAUSHEC, Texas

Capt. Matthew A. Laudie, SAUSHEC, Texas
 Capt. Erik Lundmark, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
 Capt. Rodd E. Marcum, Madigan AMC, Wash.
 Capt. Gary E. Means, Womack AMC, N.C.
 Capt. Andrew R. Morgan, Madigan AMC, Wash.
 * Capt. Keith P. Myers, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.
 Capt. Aniceto J. Navarro, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.
 Capt. Remington L. Nevin, Womack AMC, N.C.
 Capt. Nicholas J. Noce, SAUSHEC, Texas
 Capt. Dana R. Orvis, Womack AMC, N.C.
 Capt. James J. Park, DeWitt ACH, Va.
 Capt. Christopher T. Perry, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.
 Capt. Eric W. Rawie, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
 Capt. Jason A. Regules, SAUSHEC, Texas
 Capt. Nicole M. Richard, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington D.C.
 Capt. Jeffrey L. Robertson, Womack AMC, N.C.
 Capt. David J. Schwartz, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.
 Capt. Derek K. Seaquist, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
 Capt. Roselynn W. Sim SAUSHEC, Texas
 Capt. Carl G. Skinner, Darnall ACH, Texas
 Capt. Anjali N. Sridhar, Madigan AMC, Washington
 Capt. Brenda L. Stryjewski, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
 Capt. Timothy L. Switaj, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.
 Capt. Artin Terhakopian, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.
 * Capt. Roy F. Thomas, Madigan AMC, Washington
 * Capt. Sara B. Thomson, Madigan AMC, Washington
 Capt. Vahag Vartanian, National Capital Consortium, Washington, D.C.
 Capt. Katrina E. Walters, Tripler AMC, Hawaii
 * Capt. Ramey L. Wilson, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C. (Class vice-president)
 Capt. John K. Zaugg, Madigan AMC, Washington

* Elected to Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society